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#### Hospital menu goes low-sodium

HEALTH Nova Scotia's Capital Health district is introducing a low-sodium menu at two Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre cafeterias this week.

The recipes are all from a new book by staff dietitian Maureen Tilley.

Tilley says excessive salt is a key risk factor for high blood pressure that affects one in five Canadians.

Tilley says the trick is in knowing alternative cooking methods and the ingredients that will easily replace the salt without affecting the taste.

Greg Bayne, general manager of retail food services, says they are focused on introducing healthier food choices to customers.





### **Defending** champions eliminated

On the web

Protests, arrests, policy, the leaders — catch all the G8, G20 updates at metronews.ca/g8g20



British Prime Minister David Cameron, left, addresses the troops on board British Royal Navy's HMS Ark Royal aircraft carrier on Thursday in Halifax. Cameron made a short stop to visit the carrier while on his way to Ontario to attend the G8 and G20 summits.

# **British PM makes** pit stop in Halifax

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**British Prime Minister David Cameron made a** brief stopover in Halifax Thursday on his way to Toronto for the G8 and G20 summits.

His motorcade was given a police escort from the Halifax Stanfield International Airport Thursday afternoon at about 1 p.m.

He visited the British air

al, which is docked in Hali-

fax as part of the International Review. British media travelling

with Cameron, as well as a reporter from

CBC, were allowed to attend; other me-

A spokesman with 10

Fleet **Celebration time** The aircraft carrier HMS

Ark Royal is participating in celebrations for the 100th anniversary of the Canadian navy.

dia were refused access.

Downing Street said the prime minister met with

the crew just before Thursp.m.

day. He Cameron addressed about sailors deck and thanked

them for their work in an upcoming international fleet review.

prime minister decided to make the brief stop before heading to Toronto to recognize Armed Forces Day in the U.K. this weekend

The Queen will lead the review on Tuesday, a day after she arrives for a nineday Canadian royal tour. Cameron told the crew he had spoken to the Oueen. and she was looking forward to the review, CBC

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### Weapons arrest unrelated to G20: Police

TORONTO A city already on edge ahead of the G20 summit was given another jolt Thursday when police pulled over a suspicious car downtown and discovered a surprising cargo that included a crossbow.

The 53-year-old driver was immediately arrested, the area sealed off as officers wearing hazardous material "moon suits" checked suspicious liquid in the vehicle.

"We have a crossbow there's a chainsaw, baseball bat, sledge hammers," said Const. Hugh Smith.

'There's quite a various amount of items that, used by the wrong person at the wrong time, was enough that we made the arrest.'

Police were keeping a close eye on a noisy but otherwise peaceful labour demonstration outside a hotel when the man drove by at the lunch hour in his modified silver Hyundai Elantra.

The car immediately drew suspicion, and

officers pulled it over.
Police later said none of the items were illegal to have.

Police cordoned off the area with yellow tape, and part of the scene with red tape as fully equipped hazardous-materials experts checked the liquid taken from the vehicle.

They later concluded the liquid was nothing out of the ordinary.
Police said the man was

taken to a processing centre and charges would be pending, but said it appeared the incident was not related to the G20 summit that runs this weekend. The canadian press

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# Local



### A little buggy down at mall

Shoppers at the Mic Mac Mall this weekend will be treated to "the beautiful," "the rare," and "the deadly" — bugs, that is. The Incredible World of Bugs xhibit runs Thursday, Friday and Saturday and features bugs and butterflies from around the world.

# Irving Oil halts its tidal power project CSIS remarks 'very disturbing of the company of the com

# Province committed to tapping energy source, despite firm's uncertainty

Irving Oil has decided to stop its involvement in tidal power research in the Bay of Fundy over concerns about the viability of the technology.

Irving Oil officials weren't willing to be interviewed on Thursday but in an email company spokeswoman Lesley MacLeod said: "I can confirm that due to policy concerns and uncertainty around the true viability of

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Video G20 Activists and

heads pull a rather odd stunt

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tidal technologies, we have decided to conclude our work on our tidal project.

New Brunswick Energy Minister Jack Keir said he was informed by the company last week but Irving officials didn't give specifics about why they weren't going forward.

'I suspect part of the problem is there isn't a technology yet - certainly commercialized technology for tidal power — that's go-ing to allow for commercialization of generation of electricity," Keir said.

Two years ago, Irving signed a lease with the province for sites along the bay where research could be conducted in partnership with the Huntsman Marine Science Centre in St. Andrews, N.B.

Meanwhile, Nova Scotia's energy minister said the Irving decision would have no impact on the province's commitment to develop test projects in the bay's Minas Passage.

Bill Estabrooks said the province remained committed to harnessing tidal power as an alternate source of energy.

"We have an obligation, a duty and a responsibility to respond because Nova Scotians have said tidal power

is something they are interested in pursuing and we are going to continue to do that," said Estabrooks.

The government has contributed money toward a test project run by Nova Scotia Power and Irishbased OpenHydro. The project hit a major snag earlier this month after currents broke off two blades from a massive 400-tonne turbine.

# 'very disturbing', says premier

#### **ALLEGATIONS** Recent

comments by CSIS director Richard Fadden hearken back to Cold War-era paranoia, says Nova Scotia's premier. Premier Darrell Dexter said Fadden's allegation that some provincial and municipal politicians in Canada are under the influence of foreign government's is "very disturbing" and "xenophobic."

"It had a kind of xenophobic feel to it that hearkens back to the McCarthy-era where you imply that citizens, because of the fact that they may be new Canadians or first-generation Canadians, are not as loyal to the country as long-established Canadians."

Fadden set off a media storm when he made the allegations in an interview with CBC on Tuesday. He has since attempted to distance himself from the allegations, offering a clarification on Wednesday

But Dexter said he believes Fadden owes the public - and governments - an explanation

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# THE CANADIAN PRESS Membertou 400 celebrates Mi'kmaq shaman

HALIFAX COMMON The Membertou 400 celebration kicked off yesterday on the Halifax Common to celebrate the Mi'kmaq shaman and prophet, Grand Chief Membertou.

Four hundred years ago, Membertou was the first aboriginal person to be baptized in what would become Canada

Organizers have erected a traditional village on the Halifax Common that will be visited by Queen Elizabeth II on Monday

For a full list of the weekend events and for more information visit www.membertou400.com.

#### WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

- Friday-Sunday, Halifax powwow: A flag will be raised at 10 a.m. and grand entries take place from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Friday-Sunday, noon-6 p.m.: The Mi'kmaq cultur-



Mi'kmag Grand Chief Henri Membertou, settlement leader Poutrincourt and Father Jesse Fleche, left to right, are depicted on Thursday during the re-enactment of the baptism 400 years ago of Membertou in Annapolis Royal. Membertou and 20 members of his family were among the first aboriginals in the New World to accept Christianity and the Roman Catholic Church.

al village will be open, featuring basket weaving, storytelling and drum making.

• Friday, 8 p.m.: Academy award winning aboriginal Canadian songwriter Buffy Sainte-Marie will perform on the Common.

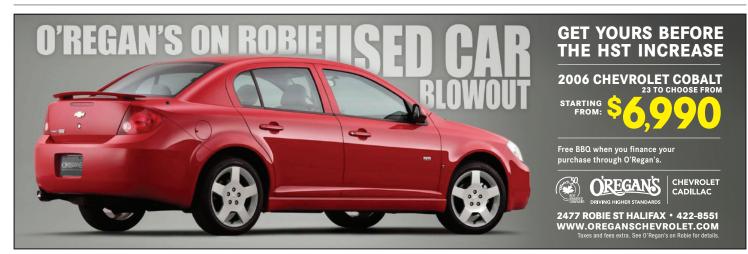
• Friday and Saturday, 9:30 p.m.-midnight: A powwow will take place featuring international dancing and drum competitions.

 Saturday, 8 p.m.: Canadian Country Music Association award winner Shane Yellowbird performs on the Commons.

• Sunday, 7 p.m.: Closing ceremonies

### **News** in brief

**SKATEBOARDER** Police say a New Glasgow teen who slid under an SUV while riding on a skateboard nearly two weeks ago died from his injuries Wednesday. The 18-year-old was holding onto the moving vehicle when he slid underneath. The young man, who was not wearing a helmet, suffered head and body THE CANADIAN PRESS



Money doled out to return tigers: Zoo director

The director of the Bowmanville Zoo says money was paid to get a stolen Bengal tiger and two camels back to their home in southern Ontario. A \$20,000 reward was offered after the truck was taken from a parking lot in Quebec last Friday on the drive from Nova Scotia to Ontario. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Local takes strait to qualify for Channel

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**SWIMMING** Kristin Roe will brave the frigid waters of the Northumberland Strait to qualify to swim the English Channel.

But it's nothing she hasn't done before.

"I know the Northumberland Strait like the back of the hand," said the Halifax resident. "I've been in that water so many times. I know all the pillars of that bridge, and the English Channel I have never seen except for on the television."

Roe, 29, booked her slot to tackle the Channel one year ago. Since then, she's been swimming four times a week for up to three hours at a time, running and lifting weights.

"It does sort of take over your life," she said with a chuckle. "I'm normally up at 5:30 a.m. to be either in the pool or in Chocolate Lake to swim by 6."

To qualify, Roe must swim continuously for six hours in waters below 16 C. She said on Sunday the Strait was around 13 C.

"I had to get the OK from my doctor, I had to send a \$7,000 Halifax swimmer Kristin Roe said it costs around \$7,000 to swim the English Channel.

swim resume it was crazy," she said.

Roe is hoping her English Channel swim will raise \$100,000 for the Stephen Lewis Foundation and the Nova Scotia Gambia Association. Roe is involved with both charities, which raise awareness of the HIV/AIDS pandemic in Africa.

Roe, an IWK Health Centre worker, completed a single crossing of the Strait in 2005, and a double crossing in 2008.

Marathon swimmers are not allowed to wear wetsuits, she said. Roe will be wearing a bathing suit, cap and goggles. She said marathon swimmers lube up in grease such as Vaseline and lanolin to add an extra layer of warmth and to prevent chaffing.

Roe is scheduled to swim Friday, but an Environment Canada wind warning leads Roe to believe her swim will not go forward until Saturday. If she qualifies, Roe will swim the Channel the last week of fulv.



The Naval Display Team performs the Ladder Routine during a media preview at the Metro Centre for the Royal Nova Scotia Interna-

# Tattoo gets big cash infusion

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Defence Minister Peter MacKay was in Halifax Thursday to announce almost half a million dollars in funding for the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo.

As part of the Marquee Tourism Events Program, the federal government will provide \$473,082 in funding for the Tattoo. MacKay said the funding is "great news for the province of Nova Scotia."

"Now in its 31st year, the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo is world-class event, featuring performers from around the globe, which attracts repeat visitors and new fans every year," said MacKay.

Industry Minister Tony Clement already announced the funding on May 7, in a press conference in Ottawa. According to Tattoo co-

According to Tattoo coordinators, the money will be spent on stepping up its marketing, both domestic and abroad.

MacKay noted that the funding was in addition to the "roughly \$700,000" in funding from the Department of National Defence.

He said the Tattoo is another event promoting Canada on the international stage, citing the 2010 Vancouver Olympics, the Formula-1 in Montreal, and the G8 and G20 meetings taking place in Toronto this weekend.

This year's tattoo, taking place from July 1 to 8, will feature over 2,000 military and civilian performers from eight countries, including Canada, Germany, and the United Kingdom.

The Tattoo came under criticism after a disagreement with Queen Elizabeth II's handlers in March resulted in her abstaining from the event.

Tattoo artistic director Ian Fraser said he thinks its unfortunate that the Queen will not be in attendance.

"(It) is a very unfortunate thing, because we were very disappointed," he said.

But Fraser said a late addition to the Tattoo's cast may alleviate the disappointment of the Queen's absence, bringing out an Elvis impersonator to play for gathered media and Tattoo participants.

"We may not have the Queen, but we have the King," he said.

### HRM writing talent hits fest

AUTHORS With summer reading season upon us, the Atlantic Publishers Marketing Association is set to celebrate homegrown talent across HRM.

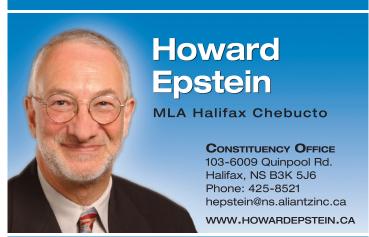
On Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., more than 40 Atlantic Canadian writers will be signing books and greeting fans at participating booksellers for At-

lantic Author Day.

All participating writers are featured in this year's Summer Reading Guide, released by the APMA. This year's guide features 124 books with genre's ranging from cooking to mystery. A complete list can be found at atlanticpublishers.ca.

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#### Halifax Regional Police Graduation day



Cadet Amit Parasram gives the valedictory speech during the Halifax Regional Police graduation ceremony at Pier 21 on Thursday. The addition of 20 new graduates Thursday brings the total new hires to 237 since January 2004.

# **Johnstons Pond to** be protected coast

### Nature conservancy secures almost 300 acres

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The Nature Conservancy of Canada wants to give Nova Scotians a gift for Canada's 143rd birthday.

The NCC announced it has secured almost 300 acres of natural habitat along the province's south shore, comprising an area known as Johnstons Pond.

The newly protected land adds to the 480 acres already under NCC protection in the Port Joli area.

According to the NCC, Johnstons Pond is an im-

Johnstons Pond is one of 10 gifts to Canadians from the NCC. Taken together, the secured land covers al-

most 13 square kilometres.

portant coastal habitat; an undisturbed estuary divided from the Atlantic Ocean by a barrier beach. The area is a viable breeding ground for the Piping Plover, an endangered species, as well as several other varieties of coastal avian species.

"With almost 300 acres

of land protected in the Johnstons Pond area, today's announcement adds to the conservation puzzle along Nova Scotia's south shore," said Linda Stephenson, the NCC's regional vice-president

"Without the support of our partners, the acquisition of this important mi-gratory bird habitat would have been nearly impossi-

Since 1962, the NCC and its partners have protected more than two million acres across Canada, including 23,000 acres in Nova Scotia alone.

# Street closures slated for royal visit

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#### From noon, June 27, to noon, June 30:

- Bishop Street will restricted to residents only. Barrington Street's sidewalk will be closed from Bishop Street to St. Matthew's Church at 1479 Barrington St.
- Hollis Street's sidewalk

#### **Bridge closures**

Temporary closures are expected on both bridges for the motorcades June 28-

will be closed from the Corps of Commissioners building at 1472 Hollis St., to Bishop Street.

### June 28, 10 a.m. to 4:30

 Sackville Street will be closed to vehicle traffic from Brunswick Street to Bell Road, and the sidewalk will be closed from south side Brunswick Street to South

Park Street.

June 28, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.:

 Bell Road will be closed to vehicle traffic from South Park Street to Summer Street, and the sidewalk will be closed on the Garrison Grounds side from South Park Street to Ahern Avenue.

### June 29, 2 p.m. to 5:30

 Lower Water Street will be closed to vehicle traffic from Salter Street Prince Street, and the sidewalk will be closed on the harbourside from Salter Street to Prince Street.



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The German frigate Karlsruhe sails into Halifax Harbour Thursday for the International Fleet Review.

# Sailors from abroad eager to hit the town

#### More than 5.000 in Halifax for Fleet Review

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Oliver Hansen is far from Denmark, but Halifax offers two things that hit home — beer and World Cup action.

"Denmark is playing today and I'm pretty sad I can't see the game," said Hansen on duty aboard the HDMS Absalon Thursday. "But I want to see some matches on the weekend and go to a few bars and have some fun."

Hansen is one of more

than 5.000 sailors in Halifax for the International Fleet Review. He's also one of many visitors who will be hitting the town over the weekend.

"I'm excited to see Halifax," said the 24-year-old. 'It's my first time in Halifax. We're here for a week and it will be fun to see what Halifax has in store."

Cmdr. Peter M. Dannerfjord, 42, is more interested in Maritime cuisine.

"I'd like to go out and get lobster," he said on deck of the Absalon. "Lobster is ... very cheap here and I like it. This is the place to eat lobster, I guess."
The Absalon, a support

ship, is five years old and one of the newest ships visiting Halifax this week for the review. The 137-metrelong ship has a crew of around 120 and has unique arching structures to avoid being detected on radar. The FGS Karlsruhe from

Germany also made its way into the harbour yesterday. The vessel can support two Sea Lynx aircrafts. one helicopter and carries around 220 sailors, according to a press release.

### NATO exercise goes off without a hitch

NAVIES Just before pulling into Halifax for the Fleet Review, several international navies trained during a massive NATO exercise off the coast.

More than 70 ships, sub-



across the globe participated in Halcyon RV, a simulated mission to train and prepare crews, said Com-modore Mark Norman, who conducted the exercise from ashore.

Over 10 days, missions were executed in piracy and terrorism, humanitarian relief, and search and rescue off the eastern seaboard of the United

States and Canada. He said the British navy even ran a number of live bombings.

"We're quite pleased that the exercise has come off very well from our perspective and

achieved all the

told media aboard the Danish ship HDMS Absalon on Thursday. The exercise wrapped up

on Wednesday. This was the largest joint

exercise hosted by Canada since 1998, he said.

The mission was based in a fictitious region and sailors dealt with a significant conflict between nations creating a humanitarian crisis, said Norman.

"We enjoy a richness and a diversity of participants, which adds to the quality of the exercise."

Commodore Mark Norman

"We enjoy a richness and a diversity of participants, which adds to the quality of the exercise," he said. "That's what makes this type of thing such a powerful opportunity to train our sailors, our soldiers, our airmen, our marines

Norman said though it was always inherently possible, no one was injured during the exercise.

"Safety is the number 1 priority," he said.

Everything is scripted ... Those events which are unscripted, which tend to produce the best training value, are planned in such a way that every possible safety precaution has been taken to reduce the risk of iniury.

Planning for Halcyon RV began more than one year ago, and has a total price tag of around \$2 million.

ALY THOMSON/ FOR METRO HALIFAX

### New charges for man accused of police murder plot

SUSPECT A man who was travelling to Newfound-land to allegedly kill police officers now faces four new charges of threatening to cause death to people — three police officers and a guard at the police holding cell Stephenville, N.L.

Mark Baltzer was or-

dered to undergo a sevenday mental fitness test at the Waterford Hospital in St. John's in Stephenville provincial court on Thurs-

The 53-year-old Kings County, N.S., man was arrested on the Trans-Canada Highway near St. George's on Sunday.

RCMP reported receiving a tip from Marine Atlantic staff that a man was on the ferry with firearms and weapons en route to the Corner Brook area to kill police officers.

Baltzer now has a total of 20 charges laid against

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# Canada

# Leaders about to butt heads?

Global leaders meeting for the next three days in Canada will have to paper over gaping differences after discouraged negotiators in last-minute talks made little progress on how to repair the world's economy.

Sources tell The Canadian Press that the final hours of talks among G20 negotiators — known as "sherpas" because they do the heavy lifting before the summit — yielded little in the way of substantive agreement.

Plans to map out the future of the fragile global economic recovery, financial regulation, international development and climate change were up in the air, sources said.

In particular, U.S. President Barack Obama's negotiators are at loggerheads with Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the International Monetary Fund over how quickly budget deficits need to be brought under control.

Instead of agreeing to deep budget cuts in indebted countries, they opted for watered-down targets, and pushed the IMF recommendations back into



As the G8 and G20 summits get underway in Ontario, sources say U.S. President Barack Obama and Prime Minister Stephen Harper are at odds over economic initiatives.

an annex that will be attached to the official communique, sources say.

Obama wrote to the G20 last week, putting forward medium-term fiscal targets but also urging countries to stand ready to increase stimulus if need be. But in Europe, where markets are demanding quick action on growing deficits, governments want to take stiff action.

It was a division that was in plain sight on Thursday. "There is no room for more deficit spending. The past few months have shown us that the risk is elsewhere," said Jose Manuel Barrosso, the head of the European Commission. "Without fiscal consolidation, we spend our way into a new crisis."

Fiscal measures will take place at different paces according to circumstances, and hard targets for the G20 are still being negotiated, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said.

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#### Canada OK with Petraeus

MILITARY An abrupt change in American military leadership in Afghanistan isn't likely to create a problem for the Canadian component of the NATO mission, officials say.

Local political leaders, however, say it's critical that Gen. Stanley McChrystal's replacement as head of the NATO mission, celebrated Iraq commander Gen. David Petraeus, press ahead with his predecessor's focus on minimizing civilian casualties in order to maintain public support for NATO's security efforts.

U.S. President Barack Obama accepted McChrystal's resignation Wednesday in the wake of disparaging comments that he and his top aides made about Obama and his national security team in a forthcoming article in Rolling Stone magazine.

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#### **News** in brief

ALBERTA The final report card on Alberta's 2009-10 budget reveals that the deficit for the last fiscal year will be \$1 billion — almost one-fifth of the originally forecast \$4.7 billion, B.C. The B.C. government is promising everyone in the province will have access to a family doctor by 2015. Health Minister Kevin Falcon said the pledge is part of a \$137-million overhaul of the primary health-care system.

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#### Some good news for Black

LAW An American court ruling could lift some of the tarnish from former Canadian media baron Conrad Black's name but is unlikely to lead to his exoneration and release from prison.

The U.S. Supreme Court set aside three of Black's

mail fraud convictions and sent them back to a lower court on the basis that a law used to convict him of fraud and others of white-collar crimes was too broad.

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# Not-so-fast getaway vehicle Washington state police say they caught a man making a slow getaway on a stolen riding mower. The Tri-City Herald reports officers responding to a burglary call Tuesday found a 31-year-old man riding the mower in the street, pulling a trailer of other lawn care equipment. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# World



### Reputed drug lord to be extradited

Jamaican gang leader Christopher (Dudus) Coke agreed to be extradited to the United States on Thursday, saying it was in the best interest of his family and country. Coke, whose supporters clashed with security forces last month in street battles that killed 76 people, waived his right to an extradition trial at his first appearance before a Jamaican judge.

# 'Blood everywhere'

#### Partiers killed by high-speed train on Spanish coast

# The last thing they heard was the piercing whistle of an oncoming train. Moments later, dozens

Moments later, dozens of mostly Latin American immigrants who crossed the tracks instead of using an underground passageway to reach a beach party in a seaside resort were dead or injured, their body parts strewn among the rails.

The express train that barrelled through the station in northeastern Spain plowed into a group of young men and women that included Ecuadoreans, Chileans, Colombians and Bolivians — leaving 13 people dead, injuring 14 and turning a night of celebration into carnage.

Spain's deadliest train

# "The euphoria of getting off the train immediately became screams."

Marcelo Cardona

accident since 2003 took place during a nationwide ritual on the longest day of the year, called Noche de San Juan, or the night of St. John.

The crowd got off a commuter train in the beach resort of Castelldefels, a 20-minute train ride outside of Barcelona, shortly before midnight Wednesday. Many jammed an underpass leading to the beach, but about 30 others climbed down from the platform and tried to scur-

ry across the tracks, witnesses said. Seconds later, a long-dis-

Seconds later, a long-distance train that does not stop at the station crashed into the youths at high speed as its drivers sounded the whistle.

Marcelo Cardona, who was on the train, said everyone aboard had been looking forward to dancing around a bonfire on the Mediterranean shore.

"The euphoria of getting off the train immediately became screams. There were people screaming, 'My daughter! My sister!" said Cardona, a 34-year-old Bolivian. He said he saw "mutilated people, blood everywhere, blood on the platform."

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### Washington Burger diplomacy



U.S. President Barack Obama and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev make an unscheduled visit to Ray's Hell Burger in Artington, Va., near Washington on Thursday. Obama had a cheeseburger with cheddar, onion, lettuce, tomato and pickles. Medvedev had a cheeseburger with cheddar, onion, jalapenos and mushrooms.

#### **News** in brief

MONACO A day after surprising his principality with an engagement announcement, Prince Albert II of Monaco says he'll be marrying in about a year — the summer of 2011. He also expressed hope that the population of his tiny Riviera homeland will "welcome with kindness" his future bride, Charlene Wittstock, a South African ex-

swimming champion 20 years his junior.Albert has stubbornly remained a bachelor prince. Now, his beloved must step into the shoes of Princess Grace, killed in a 1982 car crash.

GREECE A bomb disguised as a gift exploded inside the Greek public order ministry in Athens Thursday night, killing a police officer who was a

close ministerial aide, in Greece's highest profile attack in years. "It was a terrorist act," government spokesman Giorgos Petalotis said. Police said the package exploded about 25 metres away from Public Order Minister Michalis Chryssohoidis' office on the seventh floor of the heavily quarded ministry.

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### Customizable sperm now just a click away

ELISABETH BRAW Metro World News



**WASHINGTON** Women may not need to bother finding a husband soon.

A Washington, D.C., hospital has taken sperm donations one step further. It is allowing women to select sperm donors according to their lifestyle.

"Most sperm banks allow customers to search for donors according to race and ethnicity," said Dr. Michelle Ottey, laboratory director at Fairfax Cryobank. "But people looking for a sperm donor look for a whole person, not just appearance."

Now Fairfax Cryobank, one of the U.S.'s largest sperm banks, has introduced a new search tool that features not just vital details, but categories ranging from religion to sports.

Users can decide whether they want a donor who likes to cook or paint, prefers fish as pets, wants to help the environment, likes to help people, and everything in between.

"Couples are looking for a sperm donor who resembles the male partner as closely as possible", says Ottey. "Single women, on the other hand, are looking for an ideal notion of their partner. Many women start out with one idea about the man they're looking for but often find somebody else they like."

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### Gusher cap back in place

OIL SPILL A cap was back in place on BP's broken oil well in the Gulf of Mexico after a deep-sea blunder forced crews to temporarily remove what has been the most effective method so far for containing some of the massive spill.

Engineers using remotecontrolled submarines repositioned the cap

late Wednesday after it had been off for much of the day. It had captured 2.7 million litres of oil in the 24 hours before one of the robots bumped into it.

Bob Dudley, BP's new point man for the oil response, said removing the cap was the right move because fluid seemed to be leaking and could have been a safety hazard. While the cap was off, clouds of black oil gushed unchecked at up to 394,000 litres per hour, though a specialized ship at the surface managed to suck up and incinerate SOME. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

She's 112 years old, but still a beauty — sunken steamship L.R. Doty found in Lake Michigan

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#### Protests grind France to a halt

STRIKES Trains stood still and children played instead of studied as workers around France went on strike Thursday to protest President Nicolas Sarkozy's plans to raise the retirement age to 62.

Boisterous crowds of protesters filled Marseille's port and wide Paris avenues, as unions staged nearly 200 marches in several cities over a broad reform to the money-losing pension system, part of efforts around Europe to cut back on growing public debts. Demonstrating his concern about the state of finances, President Nicolas Sarkozy is cancelling the annual party for Bastille Day. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Centre of controversy

# Report's findings depend on who's interpreting



ast Friday, a group calling itself the Coalition to Save the View held a press conference to release its analysis of four reports on the financial viability of a new convention centre for downtown Halifax. Promoters want the province to ante up one-third of its \$300-million cost.

You may recall that when those vital-tounderstanding-the-

business-case reports were first released last winter following a freedom of information request from (let the record show) the coalition rather than any media outlet - they were

so heavily censored as to be unintelligible.
At the end of April, un-

der orders from provincial Infrastructure Minister Bill Estabrooks, the reports were finally released, almost in full.

Initial media accounts claimed the reports supported the convention centre. While technically true, such conclusions, the coalition countered, "can only have resulted from a very superficial reading of the reports." The coalition's documentation includes small-type pages filled with quotations from the reports, each raising doubts about the case for the convention centre.

Between caveats — one report concedes it was prepared "without the benefit of any primary research" — and quietly acknowledged facts — a "huge supply of underutilized facilities in the U.S." is forcing convention marketers to deep discount or eliminate rental rates entirely in order to attract ever fewer conventions the coalition argues the reports don't actually make the upbeat case they claim to.

The coalition's analysis indicates it will governments far more to cover the interest on borrowing funds to build the centre than it will recover in additional tax revenues.

"There's no business case," the coalition con-

Rather than responding to the substance of those arguments, Halifax Herald business columnist Roger Taylor began his day-afterthe-press-conference col-um this way: "It must be difficult for a group calling itself the Coalition to Save the View to argue that its opposition to a new convention centre in Halifax is anything other than an attempt to prevent highrises from being built in the downtown.'

H11h?

Taylor coupled his swipe at the coalition's motives - he didn't mention that one key report in favour of a new convention centre was written by the executive director of Convention Centres of Canada, a convention industrypromoting agency - with a no-numbers, no-analysis attack on its conclusions. The coalition's effort to fight the project on economic grounds," he wrote, fell short."

Of what exactly?

The convention centre is beginning to sound like Commonwealth Games all over again. With promoters and the puff press urging us to drink the Kool Aid without wanting to tell us what's really in it.

Stephen Kimber, the Rogers Communica tions Chair in Journalism at the University of Kings College, is the author of eight books.



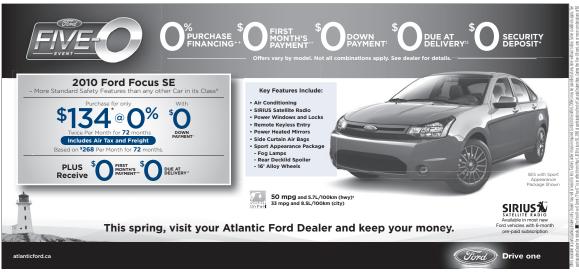
#### Quote of the Day

"I didn't know that aboriginals had complaints. I guess I should read a bit to build my own opinion."

—MICHAEL, A TOURIST FROM ISRAEL, WHO STUMBLED UPON AN ABORIGINAL PROTEST MARCH THURSDAY IN DOWNTOWN TORONTO. THE PROTESTERS SAID THEY HOPED INTERNATIONAL MEDIA COVERING THE G8 AND G20 SUMMITS WOULD REPORT ON FIRST NATIONS

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Profits up for RIM

Research In Motion Ltd. reported an increase in quarterly profits Thursday as its revenue grew 24 per cent compared with a year ago. The BlackBerry maker earned \$768.9 million US or \$1.38 per diluted share for the quarter ended May 29. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Business

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# New iPhone sells out quickly

Apple Inc.'s newest iPhone was selling briskly Thursday as thousands lined up outside stores around the world to snag one amid concerns of supply shortages.

Some stores including ones in Tokyo, Miami, San Francisco and Charlotte, N.C., sold out within hours as the iPhone 4 went on sale in the U.S., France, Germany, the U.K. and Japan. Apple called the demand for the phone "off the charts" and said it's working hard to get phones into customers' hands as quickly as possible. The smartphone is slated to go on sale in Canada in late July.

Sean Hill, 39, a Washington police officer who preordered an iPhone, smiled and proudly held it up to the crowd as he left the newly opened Apple store. "I'm like a kid in a candy

store," Hill said.

More than 600,000 had rushed to pre-order iPhones on the first day they were available, prompting Apple



Apple store employees in Chicago greet the first customers as they arrive for their new Apple iPhone 4, released Thursday.

and its exclusive wireless partner in the U.S., AT&T Inc., to stop taking orders for pickup or shipment by Thursday's launch.

Those who didn't place an iPhone 4 order had to line up outside Apple stores Thursday in the hopes of snagging one on a firstcome, first-served basis. Customers in line were left guessing about whether they'd get one.

"They have been advertising and hyping for months." Jasmine Cordova, 25, said outside New York's Fifth Avenue store. "They should make sure to stock enough." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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### Stronach share deal in question

MAGNA A controversial multimillion-dollar plan to buy voting control of Magna International away from founder Frank Stronach will be dead for good if regulators quash it before a shareholder vote next week, a lawyer for the auto parts maker said Thursday.

OSC staff have called the proposal "contrary to the public interest." They have said Magna needs to provide shareholders with several pieces of information before they can make an informed decision.

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#### In **brief**

TOYOTA Toyota Motor Corp. President Akio Toyoda bowed deeply and apologized to shareholders Thursday for the troubles caused by massive global recalls of the company's vehicles. Toyoda was facing shareholders for the first time since the Japanese automaker's reputation for quality was damaged by the recall crisis that started last October.

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Canadian mobile telecom firm and partner get \$350M financing deal

Toronto-based Public Mobile and its Chinese partner have struck a \$350 million financing deal with the Export-Import Bank of China that will help the company build a wireless network from Windsor to Quebec City. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Signs of improving **American** economy in reports

**American businesses** spent more on big-ticket goods in May and the pace of layoffs slowed in the past week, the latest evidence that the U.S. economy is gradually improving.

Overall, factory orders for durable goods fell 1.1 per cent last month, the U.S. Commerce Department said Thursday. But that was largely the result of a drop in demand for commercial aircraft.

Excluding the volatile transportation sector, orders rose 0.9 per cent after falling in April. Contributing to the strength was a 2.1 per cent rise in business spending.

Meanwhile, the number of people filing first-time claims for jobless benefits fell last week by 19,000, the largest drop in two months.

New claims declined to a seasonally adjusted 457,000, the Labor Department said. That's about the same level that they were at the beginning of the year. The four-week average dipped to 462,750, the first drop in six weeks.

The stubbornly high lev-el of requests for jobless aid is a sign hiring remains weak even as the economy recovers. Initial claims have dropped steadily after reaching a peak of 651,000 in March 2009. But claims need to fall closer to 425,000 to signal sustained job growth, many economists say.

The reports come amid mixed news on the health of the economic recovery.

The Federal Reserve on Wednesday provided a more cautious outlook while keeping interest rates near record lows. The Fed said the economic recovery is "proceeding," a more reserved judgment than in April when it said economic activity had strengthened.

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No need to shut Guatemalan mine, says company

MINING Goldcorp Inc. of Vancouver says there's "no basis" for closing its Marlin mine while the Guatemalan

government conducts what it calls an "administrative process" to deal with allegations that the rights of local

people have been violated. Guatemala has agreed to work with a Washingtonbased organization that has asked for operations at the mine to be suspended, the company announced Thurs-THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Drug developer spends \$2.4M to break lease

Thallion Pharmaceuticals Inc., a Montreal-based drug developer, says it has struck a deal with Liberty Sites Ltd. to pay \$2.4 million to end its lease on a Montreal office building while it searches for a new headquarters. Thallion is testing an anti-toxin drug called Shigamabs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### **News** in brief

MINING Colossus Minerals says it has discovered two new mineralized zones at its Serra Pelada joint venture property in Brazil, where the Torontobased company is exploring for gold, platinum and palladium. The company collected a total of 1.203 metres of drilling cores on the property in Brazil's Para state. "We are following up with further drilling," said Colossus official Vic Wall. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Protectionism a lethal risk, report says

The G20 summit goal of creating conditions for sustained growth can only be realized if leaders re-commit themselves to resisting the allure of protectionism, argues a new report.

The Conference Board of Canada report released on the eve of the summit in Toronto urges leaders to

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live up to their past commitments and go further by removing barriers, even unilaterally.

"The G20 have not been perfect on this matter, and they need to re-commit to this and take concrete positive action to make sure

we don't derail the global recovery," says author Danielle Goldfarb of the think-tank's trade and investment branch.

In 2008, all the leaders signed on to a declaration against introducing protectionist policies.

But since then, the report notes that at least 400 discriminatory measures

#### "The G20 have not been perfect."

Danielle Goldfarb

have been enacted.

The good news: It hasn't been as bad as it might have been and certainly not as bad as in the 1930s.

Chief economist Peter

ment Canada says his concern is that protectionism could arise again if the global economy takes another turn for the worst.

"The likelihood of going back to protectionist sentiments that really have teeth this time around is high," he said.

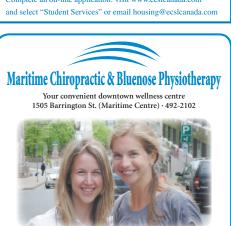
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Reenie Harris admires a large antique print during a public viewing Thursday in Morris Plains, N.J., of items to be auctioned from the home of former Madoff finance chief Frank DiPascali. DiPascali pleaded guilty to criminal charges of fraud, conspiracy and money-laundering. He has been released from federal custody on bail and awaits sentencing.

# Farmers feeling floods' fallout

**PRAIRIES** Floods have put a damper on some of Western Canada's key industries, soaking farms, roads, railway tracks and oilfields across the Prairies.

Farmers are in for a tough summer, especially if they were late to plant their seeds, said Harry Brook, a crop specialist with Alberta's Ag-Info Cen-

tre.
"It would spell almost a disaster for some producers, because you've still got bills to pay — living expenses, input costs," he said from Stettler, Alta.

"If you haven't got most of your crop in, it's not "If you haven't got most of your crop in, it's not good."

Harry Brook

good."

Keystone Agricultural Producers, a Manitoba farmers' group, called the flooding "extremely devastating" and urged governments to help.

Meanwhile, trucks and trains have had to go hundreds of kilometres out of their way to avoid the soggy mess around the Alberta-Saskatchewan border.

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#### **News** in brief

EXPANSION David Garofalo, the new chief executive of HudBay Minerals Inc., says he intends to acquire new development projects outside the miner's Manitoba base,

indicating a shift in strategy from the company's previous CEO, who was criticized for focusing too much on internal growth instead of acquisitions.

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Chile is standing in the way of Spain's lofty World Cup hopes as the European champions go into their final Group H match Friday needing a victory to secure a spot in the round of 16. Chile, with six points, needs only a draw at Loftus Versfeld to win the group. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Daniel Alves coming in for the injured Elano. Elano remains doubtful after injuring his right ankle

# Roster moves likely World Cup Brazil is likely to make two changes for its final Group G match against Portugal Friday, with Julio

# Italy coach takes blame

Says his winless team played with 'fear in their legs'

Marcello Lippi delivered a scathing verdict on his humiliated team

Thursday after Italy was sent tumbling out of the World Cup by Slovakia, confessing he failed to motivate his aging squad that had played with fear.

After the defending champion was eliminated Thursday without winning a game in one of the tournament's easiest groups, the veteran Italy coach had to accept the truth that everyone else had seen.
"I take full responsibili-

ty," Lippi said after the 3-2 loss to Slovakia. "I thought this team could do more and that's what I prepared it to do, but when you see a team that plays with fear in their legs and in their hearts you understand that you have failed."

Save for the final 10 minagainst Slovakia, Italy's attack was confused and unable to hit the target. Lippi started all three group games with different formations but could never find the right formula.



Italy's Fabio Quagliarella holds his face Thursday after a scuffle with Slovakia 'keeper Jan Mucha.

"It's my fault," Lippi added. "I wasn't able to motivate the team. When something like this happens, it's always the leader's fault. I thought I played an important role when the team won, so it's only fair to have had just as big an impact in this

Lippi led Italy to the

2006 title, when the Azzurri conceded only two goals over seven matches. This time they let in five goals in just three games, with 36-year-old captain Fabio Cannavaro responsible in part for the first two in the opening 1-1 draws with Paraguay and 78thranked New Zealand.

Nine players on the

squad were 30 or older.

"It's everyone's fault, not just Lippi's. We've all got to be accountable," defender Gianluca Zambrotta said. "When you finish last in a group with New Zealand, Paraguay and Slovakia, with all respect to those teams, it's only right to go home."

mighty England that were

said to be "gifted" and other

goals rightfully scored that

chalked it up to the breaks

In a way, the Americans

are outsiders at the World

Cup. They come from a con-

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In that respect they are

very much like Canadians.

But the Americans didn't

much.

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complain

of the game.

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#### **Sports** in brief

INJURY Deco will miss Portugal's much-anticipated final World Cup group match against Brazil because he has not recovered from a right hip injury. Portugal coach Carlos Queiroz says the midfielder will remain on the bench to keep him for the team's antici-

against the Ivorians.

pated round-of-16 match. SECURITY Ivory Coast coach Sven-Goran Eriksson says his former team, England, can beat traditional rival Germany in the round of 16 at the World Cup. "They can beat Germany," Eriksson said Thursday. "Why THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Star-spangled underdogs winning fans



or Canadians it's difficult to side with Americans when it comes to fun and games.

It's an even more problematic alliance at global sporting summits.

In the beloved passion of hockey, at the most critical moments, the men and women clad in uniforms bearing "Old Glory" present the greatest threat to those who don the Maple Leaf.

The same is true of the Olympics. The Americans have the most money and deepest talent pool, thus they tend to win the lion's share of medals. That reality turns out to be the only asterisk to stain the success column of a wildly successful home Games in Vancou-

But things are different somehow at the World Cup. In a tournament where the Euro-pean masters of football" consider themselves insiders and where the South American magifrom cians Brazil and gen-

was inspiring justice. All along, the Americans had stuck to of tina those con-

rightly claim the "It's in our spired against them. blood" card, the Yankees There were goals against

are the plucky upstarts. And for that reason, they are winning rave reviews north of the border.

There's something attractive about the swashbuckling style of soccer the Americans play. It was thrilling to watch - no, it and even better, the victory by the United States seemed like

their guns in spite

But these American athletes are proving there's hope for those who live on the frontier of football. The star-spangled boys of

the sport.

soccer are playing the role of underdogs and winning friends fast.

Gemini Award winner Scott Russell is the host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered a variety of sports including nine Olympic Games and also hosted the 2010 World Cup.



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# Sports

Ramsay to coach Thrashers Craig Ramsay is the fifth coach in Atlanta Thrashers' history. General manager Rick Dudley said Ramsay, 59, has been hired as the team's coach. He replaces John Anderson. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Sharks re-sign Marleau, Pavelski

The San Jose Sharks have re-signed forwards Patrick Marleau and Joe Pavelski. Marleau, left, was due to become an unrestricted free agent July 1 with Marleau's worth \$27.6 million US and Pavelski's worth \$16 million THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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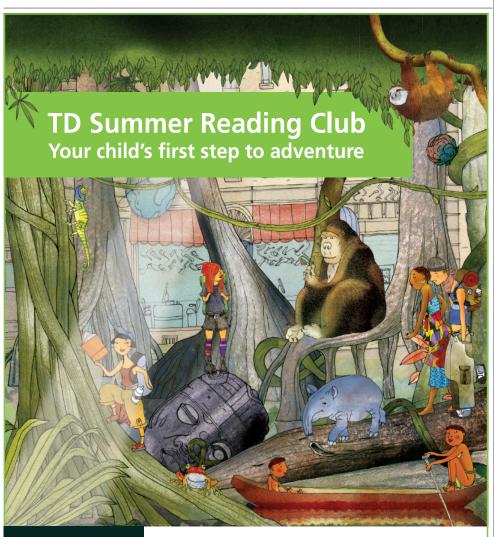
#### **Sports** in brief

NFL Brett Favre says he can still play at a "high level" if he returns to the Vikings for a 20th NFL season. Favre has not vet

said if he plans to play, but he's not sounding like a retired quarterback. Favre told the Sun Herald on Thursday

on the Mississippi newspaper's website he would "love to go beat the Saints" in the season opener Sept. 9. New Orleans beat Minnesota in the NFC championship game in January.

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NBA commissioner David Stern, left, poses with the No. 1 overall draft pick, John Wall, of Kentucky, who was selected by the Washington Wizards in the first round of the NBA draft on

# Washington welcomes Wall

John Wall is ready to go to Washington and clean up the Wizards.

And he's expected to have more backcourt help when he gets there — whether or not Gilbert Arenas is still around.

The Wizards selected Wall with the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft and agreed to a trade for another guard Thursday, hoping they've found players who can help them quickly bounce back from a season that was embarrassing on the court and in the lock-

er-room. "I feel like I had pressure since I became No. 1 in high school and was one of the top players," Wall said. "I always got there hungry wanting to fight hard and compete in every game, so when I step on the court

#### **Raptors**

• The Toronto Raptors selected University of North Carolina forward Ed Davis with the 13th pick. Davis stands at six-foot-10, 225-

I'm going to take on any challenge there."

Wall, the SEC player of the year, is the first Ken-tucky player ever chosen first overall.

The pick came shortly after a person familiar with the deal told The Associated Press that the Chicago Bulls had agreed to trade veteran guard Kirk Hinrich and the 17th pick in the draft, Kevin Seraphin, to the Wizards.

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# Marathon match finally finishes

WIMBLEDON John Isner won the longest match in tennis history Thursday, taking the fifth set against Nicolas

Mahut 70-68 in an epic struggle that stretched over three days and 11 hours.

American closed out the victory with a backhand passing shot, then collapsed to his back as he tossed his rack- John Isner et in jubilation and relief.

The final score of the

first-round match read: 6-4, 3-6, 6-7 (7), 7-6 (3), 70-68.

When you come out and play a match like this, in an

atmosphere like this, you don't feel tired really out there," Isner said, "even though that's exactly what we both were" we both were.

The match totalled 183 games and lasted 11 hours five minutes over three days. The fifth set alone lasted eight hours 11 minutes.

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# Two-way's the right way for winger

From defence to offence, MacAulay hopes he has what it takes to be drafted

MATTHEW WUEST matthew.wuest@metronews.ca

When Stephen MacAulay showed up to play major midget hockey for Cole Harbour, he was a leftwinger with a score-first mentality.

Three years later, it's a defence-first mentality that has him on the radar of scouts heading into this weekend's NHL entry draft at Staples Centre in Los Angeles.

The Cole Harbour native learned the finer points of two-way hockey under then-coach Steve Crowell and used that tutelage to blossom into a high-end QMJHL checker with the Saint John Sea Dogs the

past two seasons.
"Growing up I was a playmaker with a lot of assists and I could put the puck in the back of the net, but since midget I've focused more on my twoway game," MacAulay said. "This year I thrived ... I

was given a role and I tried to stick to it.

The six-foot-two 180-

pounder lined regularly 7 up Saint John's

line with centre Mike Thomas, net, but since Dogs to a first-place finish way game.

and an ap- Stephen MacAulay in pearance President's Cup Final.

Although the Moncton Wildcats knocked the Sea Dogs out in six games, MacAulay was assigned to checking playoff MVP Gabriel Bourque and top scorer Kelsey Tessier.

MacAulay had 10 points and a plus-7 in 21 playoff games but was happiest with his play in the final. "I thought that was my

MacAulay, who was recovering from an injury in the first

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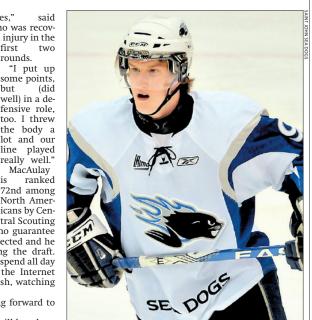
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rounds. 'Growing up I was a "I put up third playmaker with a some points, along lot of assists and I but well) in a de-Dannick Gau could put the puck fensive role, and in the back of the too. I threw the body a helping pro- midget I've focused pel the Sea more on much sea lot and our line played really well." Sea more on my two-

icans by Central Scouting but there is no guarantee he will be selected and he isn't attending the draft. Instead, he'll spend all day Saturday on the Internet clicking refresh, watching for his name.

"I'm looking forward to

it," he said.
"I think it will be a long day but hopefully by the end of it, it will be worth



Stephen MacAulay of Cole Harbour has a chance at being selected in this weekend's NHL draft in Los Angeles.

#### Sports in brie

TENNIS Halifax's Travis McDonough enters this weekend's St. George's Open tennis tournament in Dartmouth as the top seed. Geoff Learmonth. who won the Courtyard Open last month, is ranked second. Action begins Friday and concludes Sunday with the championship game.

PBL The Vermont Frost Heaves, one of the Halifax Rainmen's biggest Premier Basketball League rivals, could fold. according to the area's Times-Argus newspaper. The PBL has told the team it needs to raise \$100,000 by Aug. 1 if it wants to stay in the league. **HOCKEY** Hockey Nova Scotia

has partnered with a number of community organizations to try and get more black youths involved in the sport. The Black Youth Hockey Initiative is aimed at giving children, who historically have not played hockey, the opportunity to do so. The pilot program involves a one-day introduction to hockey camp, a 15week hockey program next season and a full set of gear, at no cost to the participant. Hockey Nova scotia is hoping to recruit 30 boy and girls between the ages of five and eight.

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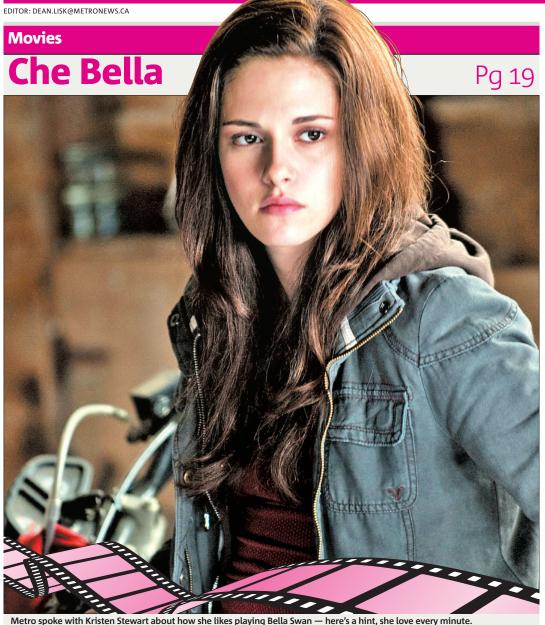
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# Grown Ups one lazy comedy

#### Grown Ups

Director: Dennis Dugan
Stars: Adam Sandler,
Chris Rock, Kevin James
Classification: PG
Rating: 

Bating:

PHIL BROWN for Metro Canada

Another year, another Adam Sandler movie. When this guy left Saturday Night Live in 1995 no one expected him to become the biggest comedy star in Hollywood, but somehow he's managed to make a career out of playing lovable losers that get the girl and solve some sort of high concept conundrum.

Grown Ups is Sandler's latest film and quite possibly his laziest yet. The concept is that Sandler and his real life buddies Chris Rock, Kevin James, David Spade, and Rob Schneider



From left, Chris Rock, Kevin James, Rob Schneider, David Spade and Adam Sandler ham it up for Grown Ups.

meet up for a reunion at a giant cottage.

The final product makes it clear that Sandler just wanted to hang out with these guys for a few months and they kind of made a movie when they

weren't enjoying the vacation, but probably weren't paying much attention.

The plot (such as it is) sees Sandler and co. reuniting over the death of their former basketball coach. Even though they only

spent a few years with the coach as teenagers, he insisted that they all attend his funeral. Weirdly, it seems as though the coach had no family, because soon they're in charge of dumping out the ashes and

turn it into a weekend reunion.

Everyone has little problems when they arrive, but they don't matter that much and are all wrapped up in one painfully long weepy scene. Other than that the movie is little more than a string of gags with the five friendly comedians trying to make each other laugh.

Admittedly, there are some chuckles to be had, but the best laughs most likely took place when the cameras weren't rolling.

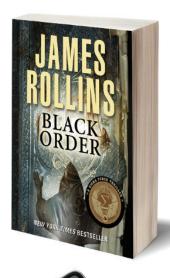
There's nothing wrong with lowbrow comedies that have no ambition beyond easy laughs, but Grown Ups is particularly lazy. Sandler's crude/sentimental shtick is getting old and it seems like he isn't even trying to tell stories anymore.

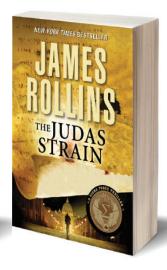
The good news is that all these comedians clearly had a good time making a movie last summer. The bad news is that no one else was invited to the particular.

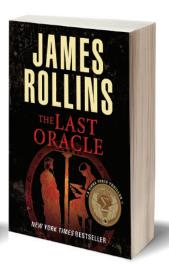
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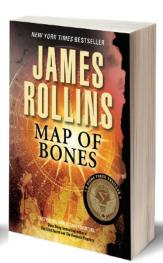
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# Being Bella and loving it

Stewart still surprised by success of Twilight Saga

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Kristen Stewart has played Bella Swan, the young woman at the centre of the hugely successful Twilight franchise, in three films now. But she isn't tired of her vampireloving alter-eqo.

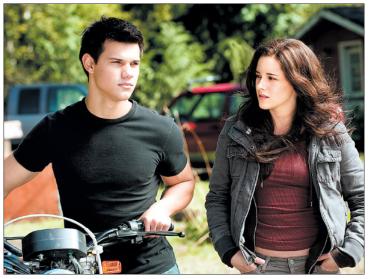
"It's super indulgent," she tells Metro. "Everybody always asks, 'It must be so exhausting, you must be so sick of her.' It's like, no. It's like writing a thesis as opposed to writing a paper."

It's a good thing she isn't sick of Bella yet, as Stewart has two more films to com-

plete in the series. She spoke with Metro about splitting the last book into two parts, taking on On the Road and dealing with the madness of the MTV Movie Awards.

Are you excited about the chance to stretch the last book out over two movies?

I'm excited. I feel like the fans are going to love it because we're going to have the time to tell the whole story. What happens when you try to cram such a long story into an hour and a half, the first things that are skimmed off the top



Taylor Lautner and Kristen Stewart star in The Twilight Saga: Eclipse, out next week.

are the things I love the most, which is details and the little things that make the characters who they

Did you anticipate how much of a

phenomenon it's become, or could you not have predicted it?

I don't think anybody could have. I've never seen anybody respond to a movie or a book the way I've seen

some of these people respond. Initially, we thought that we had a cult hit. We thought that our little Twilight fan group is going to love our movie and make it somewhat successful, and maybe oth-

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er people will catch on. Other people caught on like crazy. So initially it wasn't going to be this global phenomenon. It was going to be like a cult hit.

You're filming On the Road this summer.
Yeah. It's finally getting made, which is really a miracle. I can't believe I'm this age at this time when it finally gets made.

You guys had a good run at the MTV
Awards, didn't you?

I know. It feels weird, too. There are movies that are really good every year, and because of our fan base, they're just going to click away and we're going to win the things. I hope there's not too much resentment.







Matt Damon is considering the lead role in Cameron Crowe's new film We Bought A Zoo. The feature chronicles a family's idea to buy a defunct zoo and save many of the animals. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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# Rathbone rising

PHIL BROWN for Metro Canada

Jackson Rathbone might be set to make tween girls and middle-aged woman squeal with delight next week in the new Twilight movie, but that's not the film that he's most excited to be a part of this summer.

Instead, Rathbone looking forward to audiences seeing his role in the upcoming M. Night Shyamalan movie The Last Airbender, which is based on a popular TV series.

"My friends were always huge fans of the show and so was I." Rathbone told Metro. "While they weren't quite so excited when they learned that I was in Twilight, now I've got my guy friends thinking I'm kind of cool. So, it's nice to get some credibility. After all, I know kung fu now."

The film is based on the Nickelodeon animated series Avatar: The Last Airbender (part of the title

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Jackson Rathbone stars in The Last Airbender, out next week.

was dropped for the movie for obvious reasons) about a world separated into distinct populations based on their ability to control one of the four elements.

It's not exactly the type of movie that you'd expect to see from the director of tense thrillers like Signs and The Sixth Sense, but Rathbone revealed that M. Night Shyamalan's daughters played a role in convincing the director to stretch.

ters were big fans of the show and it was their idea to do this movie. So he spread his wings and made a family film," said Rath-bone before clarifying, "Well, not a family film in a sense that it's G-rated and cows are talking to pigs. This is a film with so much action that everyone's going to love it."

Much like the TV series that inspired it, the film will be filled with complex action sequences guaranteed to thrill audiences. It's a big part of what drew Rathbone to the project and he was thrilled to play an action hero.

"I probably did about 90 per cent of my fights and it was a blast," said Rathbone.
"I got to work with some

of the premiere stuntmen and stuntwomen in the industry. I met guys who played James Bond back when it was Sean Connery and would jump out of airplanes and do the most amazing things."









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# Couples on the run



he road trip is part of the American psyche dating back to the young men (and women) who took Horace Greeley's famous advice —"Go west young man!"— to heart and left the east for the frontier.

Hollywood saw the allure early on, recognizing that road movies offer opportunities to inject exciting secondary characters and interesting scenery into stories each time the leads stop in a new town. Add to that the sexy appeal of two people running for their lives and you have a new genre — the fugitive couple movie.

Whether it is the doomed Henry Fonda and Sylvia Sydney on the lam in 1937s You Only Live Once or Tom Cruise and Cameron Diaz's worldwide trek in this weekend's Knight and Day, the idea of runaways on the open road has been irresistible to filmmakers.

One early fugitive road movie is Persons in Hiding, a nasty 1939 film based on I. Edgar Hoover's bestselling book of the



Natural Born Killers, starring Julliete Lewis and Woody Harrelson, is one of the most controversial films ever made.

same name. J. Carrol Naish stars as a small-time hood on the run with Dorothy Bronson (Patricia Morison).

Together they rob banks and even kidnap a hapless stranger all to appease Ms. Bronson's appetite for champagne and furs. Of course, this being based on Hoover's book, the pair isn't mythologized à la Bonnie and Clyde. No, the heroes here are the FBI who use their "infallible" methods to bring the couple to justice.

Better known is The Getaway, Sam Peckinpah's violent love letter to criminal behaviour Based on a 1959 pulp novel by Jim Thompson, it stars Steve Mc-Queen as a cocky safecracker who hits the road with Ali MacGraw following a botched holdup.

Panned on its original release - Roger Ebert called it "a big, glossy, impersonal mechanical toy" - it was a box office success, because of the ruckus the tabloids made when MacGraw left her husband, producer Robert Evans, for McQueen during production.

More recently crime and scandal were at the heart of Natural Born Killers, a satire of media sensationalism and America's love affair with violence. Woody Harrelson and Juliette Lewis play married murderers — "the best thing to happen to mass murder since Manson" on a cross country killing spree.

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#### **Toy Story 3**

**REVIEW** The folks at Pixar have returned to the characters of their first movie, now 15 years past, and come up with an inspired, intelligent and entertaining film expertly straddling the line between kids and adults entertainment. The latest instalment finds Woody (Tom Hanks), Buzz Lightyear (Tim Allen) and the rest of the familiar toys of the first two films fretting over their owner Andy's impending departure to college. After be-coming convinced they're headed for the trash heap, the toys mount an escape that lands them in the apparent Shangri-La of a local day-care centre, where the toy world is overseen by a deceivingly cuddly old teddy bear (Ned Beatty). While kids will certainly enjoy the movie, don't be surprised to

find most of the adult audience needing tissues. The visuals are spectacular enough without 3-D, and the technology doesn't add enough to warrant the higher ticket price.

Ned Ehrbar/Metro World News

#### The Karate Kid

REVIEW To anyone alive in the 1980s, the Karate Kid legend is a familiar one. In this reboot, Jaden Smith (son of Will and Jada) stars in the role Ralph Macchio made a Reagan era icon. The story's been freshened by a move to Beijing but the filmmakers wisely kept the underdog coming-ofage tale front and centre. Smith is the film's centrepiece. He's clearly still a novice, but has inherited the best bits of his mother and father's collective gene pools (he got his mother's ears! Yay!) and has charisma to burn. He's ably assisted by co-star Jackie Chan, who brings warmth and personality to Mr. Han.

#### **Get Him to** the Greek

**REVIEW** Just as Judd Apatow made stars out of unlikely actors Seth Rogen and Jason Segel, Get Him to the Greek aims to turn Russell Brand and plumpy Jonah Hill into Hollywood's latest A-listers. And it may just do it. A spin-off to the 2008 Apatow-produced hit Forgetting Sarah Marshall. this tale about a record executive hopeful named Aaron (Hill) and his lascivious, out-of-control rock 'n' roll charge (Brand, reviving Marshall's Aldous Snow character) anchors grossout gags by giving the bedlam a heart.

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# Comeback kid

#### Sarah Harmer holds her fire on new album

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#### between albums in the pop music world. Many artists would have

released at least two studio CDs during that time, maybe a DVD and a live album as well

We can excuse Sarah Harmer's long break between albums, though. She's been preoccupied.

For the past five years, Harmer has been at the centre of a fight to block a proposed gravel quarry on a picturesque piece of the Niagara Escarpment near her childhood home in rural north Burlington, Ont.

The Juno-winning singersongwriter's time has been taken up with raising funds, hiring consultants, lobbying politicians, study-

"It's definitely an album based around human emotions, experiences and relationships from a personal perspective."

Sarah Harmer

ing scientific reports and prepping for a seemingly endless series of land-use hearings

If anything, it's surprising that she found any time at all to write and record her new CD, Oh Little Fire, which was released this

"Yeah, it was a long time coming," Harmer agrees in an interview from her home near Kingston. "But perspective is pretty important when it comes to

Harmer admits it wasn't easy to pick up songs that, in some cases, she had started years earlier.

"I started a few of them a long time ago," she explains. "I'd have an idea for a song · - a melody, a verse, a little bit of sentiment – to get back to it and make something complete, that took a while."

Her previous album, I'm a Mountain, was released in 2005 shortly after she had formed the environmental group PERL (Protecting Escarpment Rural Land) to fight the quarry proposal. It was an acoustic record with a country tinge and filled with the politics of the environment. It made the short list for the Polaris Music Prize for top Canadian album. An accompanying DVD won a Juno award.



For the past five years, Juno-winning singer-songwriter Sarah Harmer has been at the centre of a fight to block a proposed gravel quarry on a picturesque piece of the Niagara Escarpment.

Politics is largely absent from the songs of Oh Little Fire. One track, Washington, is about her regret at not travelling to the U.S. capital to for President Barack Obama's inaugura-

Songs about the environment, however, are noticeably lacking.

"No, there aren't any overt land-use issues commented on," she laughs. "It's definitely an album based around human emotions, experiences and relationships from a personal perspective.

To help guide her transition back to the recording studio, Harmer reached out to old friend and producer Gavin Brown. Brown, best known for his work with rock bands like Billy Talent, had played drums on 2000 break-Harmer's through album You Were

influence brought electric guitars and keyboards back into the mix. Only one track - Silverado, sung with the help of alt-country queen Neko Case — contains the rootsy feel of I'm A Mountain.

"(Brown) was a huge part of making this record," she says. "He really kicked it in for me. ... I had all these songs in my mind for a long time. He helped me express



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1. The Laws of Illusion, Sarah McLachlan; 2. Oh Little Fire, Sarah Harmer; 3. Recovery, Eminem; 4. Mojo, Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers; 5. To The Sea, Jack Johnson. METRO NEWS SERVICES

#### Music

# Eminem puts art back into album art

#### **Cover up**

The alternate cover of Eminem's new album was created British photographer Nigel Parry



when I had beautiful handwriting, a lovely cursive script distinctive jaunty flourishes with the uppercase "A" and the lowercase "g" and "j." But no more. Keyboards — first an IBM Selectric and then a computer - completely destroyed my ability to write in longhand.

Today, I'd have better ick reading ancient Sumerian runic symbols than anything I might have written down in the last 10 minutes. The only way I can be remotely legible is to jot down everything in ALL CAPS.

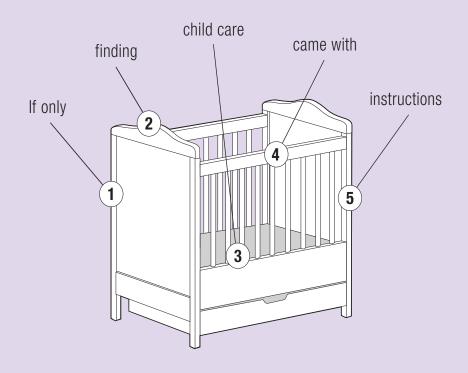
This is kind of what happened to album artwork. In the old days, LP offered a 12-by-12 pallet (double that if you include the back) that could be a source of mystic, wonder and legend: the man with the sticks on Led Zeppelin IV; Paul McCartney barefoot and out of step on Abbey Road; the swimming baby of Nevermind. Who knows how many albums were sold on the strength of a Roger Dean painting or a surreal Hipignosis landscape? And how many careers were launched as a result of the amazing packaging created by Factory Records?

Album artwork was mortally wounded by the CD and rendered almost irrelevant by the MP3. Yet there are still those who believe in its power — like Eminem.

Frankly, I'm not the biggest Eminem fan, but I did buy his new record, Recovery, partly because of the album's alternate cover The image, created by British photographer Nigel Parry, is set in Hart Plaza in Detroit next to the Renaissance Center, the headquaters of General Motors. The place is deserted save







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### Gregg Allman undergoes liver transplant surgery at Mayo Clinic

PEOPLE Rock 'n' roll Hall of Famer Gregg Allman underwent a successful liver transplant surgery Wednesday morning at the Mavo Clinic in Jacksonville, Fla.

Allman's manager Michael Lehman said that Allman was groggy but awake Wednesday morning and that the cofounder of the seminal

Southern rock group The Allman Brothers Band could be sitting up and on his feet by nightfall.

"He's psyched to put this time of his life behind him and have a chance again to feel really healthy and good, and hopefully live for many more years to come.' Lehman said.

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#### **in** brief

**CHARTS:** The following is HMV Canada's top 10 CDs based on national sales for the week endina June 26:

- 1 Recovery, Eminem 2 Thank Me Later, Drake
- 3 Scream, Ozzy Osbourne 4 Can't Be Tamed, Miley Cyrus
- 5 To the Sea. Jack Johnson 6 Laws of Illusion, Sarah McLachlan 7 Five Ghosts, Stars 8 How I Got Over You, The

9 My World 2.0, Justin Bieber 10 Oh Little Fire, Sarah Harmer

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#### Oscars might get moved up to January

Academy Awards organizers are talking about moving up the date of the show, possibly as early as January. A firm date of Feb. 27 already has been set for next year's 83rd Oscars, so 2012 is the earliest any change would take effect. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Television

# Say goodbye to As the World Turns

YouTube: Dr. Bob Hughes lunching with a fellow doctor in a scene aired live on As the World Turns the afternoon of Nov. 22, 1963.

"Shall we get a menu?" Hughes says to his dining companion. "Waiter! I'd like to order. I'm kind of hungry.'

That scene was the last the TV audience would see of As the World Turns that day as CBS News seized the schedule for continuous coverage of President John Kennedy's assassination.

"It's been a job and The young, a home and frienddark-headed who ships for 50 years." played Dr. Don Hastings, actor Bob, as well as the rest of the

cast, completed the show shielded from both the fact of its pre-emption and the terrible reason why.

Only after the episode's fade-out did they learn of the tragedy, as the actor portraying Dr. Bob, Don Hastings, recalled one day last week.

Now 76 and handsomely silver-haired, Hastings was in his dressing room between scenes at the Brooklyn studio the series has called home the past decade. He was still play-ing Dr. Bob — lately the head of Oakdale Memorial Hospital and, as always, endowed with a perfect bedside manner -- inst a few months shy of 50 years after landing the part.

But Hastings won't get to reach his half-century

milestone in October. On Sept. 17, TV's oldest day-time drama will fold.

On Wednesday, ATWT wrapped production forev-

er.
"It's been a job and a home and friendships for 50 years," said Hastings, an avuncular, era-spanning presence as he pondered the series' end. "I don't think it's hit me yet."

The summer after CBS' Guiding Light was cut down after 72 years on radio and then television. the doomsday scenario

that plagued for soaps decades has now claimed ATWT. ARC's

General Hospital, which premiered in April 1963, will now inherit the title as TV's oldest soap. But who knows for how long?

Used to be, at any given time there were a dozen or more daytime dramas on the networks. Soon there will be only six, with only ABC's One Life to Live still originating in New York. The ratings for all of them are a fraction of what they once were, and continue in a downward spiral. ATWT, ranked last, this season is averaging 2.4 million viewers, whereas in the 1991-92 season, it drew 6.7 million viewers, according to the Nielsen Co.

"This show was created in the 1950s, and now there are different viewing patterns, different economic models, and we're all fighting a tough fight to stay in the business," Chris Goutman, ATWT executive producer since 1999. "Daytime has been in trouble for a long time, and we're part of that I thought we were fighting a losing battle? Never. I always think we're going to win the battle.

But this time we didn't."

Last December, CBS made it official, a death decree that, paired with

Light, marks the exit of Procter & Gamble's production arm from the soap opera business. This, of course, is a company for "soap which the term "soap opera" was coined in the radio era when it began

deploying such shows to advertise its detergent and products. soap took over the studio space where yet another Procter & Gamble soap, Another World, was taped until NBC cancelled it in 1999.)

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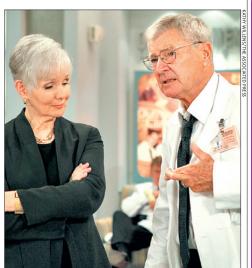
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As the World Turns actor Don Hastings, 76, has portraved Dr. Bob in the soap opera for nearly 50 years. The final episode of the series, which has been running since 1956, was filmed this week and will air on Sept. 17. Last summer CBS cut Guiding Light which has been on the air for 72 years.



Showcase announced earlier this week that Sex in the City's Cynthia Nixon will appear on The Big C., TVGuide.com reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

### **Going Out**

The title track on Miley Cyrus' new album, Can't Be Tamed, has already hit No. 8 on the charts.

# From child to adult star

### Cyrus on her way to duplicating success with third album

It's not always easy for child stars to continue their career into adulthood, or even puberty. For every Justin Timberlake, there's a Debbie Gib-

That's why Miley Cyrus was so excited when her songs, The Climb and Party in the U.S.A., became bona fide hits on the pop charts last year. The Climb hit No. 4 on Billboard's Hot 100 chart while Party in the U.S.A. stopped just short of becoming the No. 1 song in the nation.

While she has sold millions of records as an extension of her omnipresent Disney persona, Hannah Montana, those songs represented her biggest suc-

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the best thing that's ever happened me," Miley cent view went on everyone. I

30-year-olds, I met 80-year- singer/actress olds. ... I got

so many different fans." The 17-year-old phenomenon is on her way to duplicating that success with her new album, Can't Be Tamed. The album's title track has already hit No. 8 on the charts.

cess to date as Miley — and she connected with more than just the tween audience.

"The Climb '(Can't Be Tamed is) about breaking i<sup>to</sup> free, being who you said in a re- are and not being inter- afraid to tell the world to back off every differ- sometimes, and do ent kind of your thing and do radio. I met everyone I what makes you net 3-year-olds, I met Miley Cyrus,

of the CD. What makes Miley happv. however, doesn't always make others happy. And the more she inches to adulthood, the more critics she seems to garner for behaviour deemed age inappropriate.

makes you happy," she said

But Miley is making more

than a musical statement

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There was the 2008 dustup over the Vanity Fair photo where it made her look topless, wrapped in a bedsheet (she says she was not). She danced with a stripper pole at the 2009 Teen Choice Awards. This year, video surfaced of Miley giving one of the producers of her film The Last Song a lap dance at the wrap party.

Earlier this month she simulated a girl-on-girl kiss while performing on Britain's Got Talent, and on the Much Music Awards, she gyrated onstage while wearing a revealing outfit.

Ioan Ulrich, of Northville, Mich., worries about the affect Miley's recent behaviour will have on her young nieces.

"Their mom bought them tickets to see her show and they were so excited about her. They had her videos, T-shirts, the whole thing," she said.
"Then she evolves into this sex kitten and there's no control with her."

But Miley brushes off her critics, deeming them unsatisfied and unhappy with their own lives.

"It's just kind of a sad thing to think about people and how they are. I never really let it affect me," she adds. "My mom is at the side of that stage and if I ever felt I was disappointing her or not making her proud, I would not do the things I do, but she's proud of me every time.

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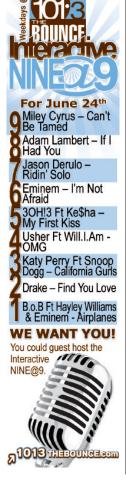
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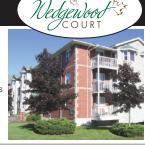
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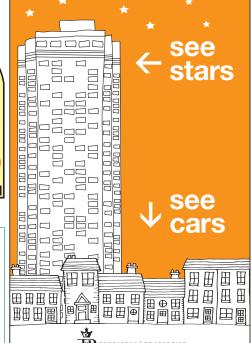
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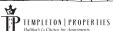
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#### **Back to school for producers**

Dr. Dre and Timbaland went back to school Wednesday night. The rapper-producers shocked students when they appeared at a Culver City High School graduation party. Dr. Dre introduced Timbaland, who performed song Promiscuous Girl. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### **Going Out**

Stoker's 1897 novel.

#### Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

Robert Pattinson
POP CULTURE Turns out the pale star, who has a habit of making girls swoon as vampire Edward Cullen, may have a genealogical leg up. Ancestry.com reports the Twilight star is a descendant of Vlad the Impaler, a three-time ruler of Wallachia (now a region of Romania), who is thought to be the inspiration for Count Dracula in Bram



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into the past with
this film about a group of
friends who travel back to
the '80s. The movie is being released this Tuesday

on DVD and Blu-ray.



The Situation
FASHION Jersey
Shore's Mike (The
Situation) Sorrentino will soon be
showing off more
than just his abs: his new clothing line, according to The Associated Press. Sorrentino has
teamed up with Miami-based
Dilligaf by Bohica Bill to launch
a couture line. Dilligaf Couture
by the Sitch will debut in July
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### **Mix of Six**

#### The Cover of LIFE

When: Through Saturday Where: Dartmouth Players Theatre

Set in the midst of World War II, the play tells the story of three soldiers' wives living with their mother-in-law in a small southern town while the boys are off to war. Tickets are \$15 adults and \$12 senior and students. Visit dartmouth-players.ns.ca for showtimes.

#### **Bedford Days**

When: Friday through July 1 Where: Dewolfe Park in Bedford

Celebrate Bedford and a week of music, entertainment, food, fireworks and more. All events are free of charge and suitable for all ages. Visit bedforddays.ca for the full schedule.H

#### Canadian Naval Centennial: International Fleet Review

When: Saturday through July 2 Where: Halifax Harbour

Halifax will be the gateway to the world as Canada,s Navy hosts an International Fleet Review as part of its Centennial celebrations. As warships from various nations arrive, they will have on board more than 5,000 sailors. Many ships will be open to the public.

#### Membertou 400

When: Friday through Sunday Where: Halifax Common

Membertou 400 is a celebration of the life and legacy of Grand Chief Membertou and the culture and contributions of the Mi'kmaq people. The event will feature an authentic Mi'kmag village where visitors can interact with aboriginal artists and artisans, learn about tradition healing methods and sample native cuisine. This event is free of charge. A complete events list can be found at membertou400.com.

#### **Carson Downey**

When: Friday & Saturday Where: The Harbourfront, Casino Nova Scotia.

Listen to homegrown blues talent of Carson Downey inside the Halifax casino. May even want to try your luck at the slot machines before and after. TThe show is free of charge.

#### Public Gardens Sunday Concerts When: Sunday

Where: Public Gardens Band Shell

The Graham Bowser Band will perform from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Public Gardens Bandstand

#### **Entertainment** in brief

DOCUMENTARY The estate of Michael Jackson is taking issue with a documentary that is to debut in Japan on the anniversary of the pop star's death on Friday. Some of the footage in the film was shot by Marc Schaffel, a former business partner who had a major falling out with Jackson in a messy trial in which they sued each other four years

ago. In a statement sent to The Associated Press on Thursday, the estate says the film's promoters "misled Michael Jackson's fans" by making it appear as if it were authorized. "Nothing could be further from the truth," the estate said. "His estate was not consulted on this film, and will not endorse it."

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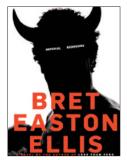


Sammy Hagar is lending his signature voice to an autobiography. The rocker has signed with It Books to write a memoir. It's due to be released in 2011. The 62-year-old Hagar is best known as the former frontman for Van Halen. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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#### Entertainment

# Ellis goes back to Zero LGBT teens finally



DOROTHY ROBINSON

For Bret Easton Ellis, it turns out that you can go home again. Twenty-five years after he burst onto the literary scene with Less Than Zero, a novel that encompassed the bleak ennui of an '80s Los Angeles.

Ellis is back living in his hometown and has re-turned to Zero's cast of characters in the just-released sequel, Imperial Bedrooms.



Nice author photo! It seems to sum up your L.A. life.

Every single author photo I have has been carefully choreographed. I wanted this one to look older and douchier than that louche young man in a loosened tie I took when I was 21 for Less Than Zero. This one took two days to pull



So in 30 years, your author photo will be in a nursing home? [Laughs] One day. Or hey, maybe in the next two years.



Why the title Imperial Bedrooms?

When I first began thinking about the book and the characters of Less Than Zero and the sexual exploitation that happens, I thought of the Elvis Costello song. It's really as simple as that.

The use of violence — especially against women — is always

a lightning rod for your work. Are you ever surprised by how many fans you have when your writing can be so dark?

Maybe that's why I have

many fans. Really. Do people only respond sympathy lightand ness? If that were the only thing peo-ple liked, ple then 80 per cent of the literary canon

wouldn't been have read. It's a tired complaint — the violence in work. my Look, this is how I feel. I'm writing within a fictional context. It isn't something I am thinking about when I'm having

Now a California resident, and a onceinfamous New Yorker do you missed living there.

dinner.

No, I don't. Every now and again there is a pang. I'll read something somewhere about a party or see a Patrick McMullan photo and think, 'Oh yeah! I would have gone to that.' And then I think, 'Thank God I don't have to go that," he says. "It was a that," he says. "It was a great run, 17 really fun years. The party just ends for some people.



**Author Bret Easton Ellis** 

# get a novel voice

At his Kentucky elementary school, kids taunted Brent on the playground about being gay, whatever that was. By eighth grade, he realized what they meant and came out to a friend - and vice versa.

She was an avid writer. he a voracious reader. They headed to their school li-

brary search of stories that spoke to their lives: gay, gay in the South, gay and fearstereoing types like "disgusting" and 'worthless "

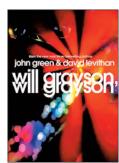
"There were tons of books about gangs and drugs and teen pregnan-cy and there were no LGBT books. I asked the librarian about it and she was like, 'This is middle school. I can only have appropriate books here," said Brent, now 15 and heading into sophohis more year of

So they went to their public library, where they discovered plenty of romantic gay steam tween covers for adults. "We weren't complaining," said Brent. who asked name and

high school.

that his last hometown

First came a gem, a book for young people that made them cry: Martin Wilson's 2008 debut, What They Always Tell Us, set in Tuscaloosa, Ala. The story about a troubled year for two brothers, one of whom finds solace in a relationship with a boy, made him feel less like an "alien on your own planet."



A world of books followed. Brent read his way through Tom Dolby, Robin Reardon, Julie Ann Peters and David Levithan.

Books that speak to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning teens have travelled light years since John Dono-van's I'll Get There. It Better be Worth the Trip led the way in 1969, now long out of print. The book on the confused world of 13year-old Davy and the jock he kisses will be reissued in September from Flux, an imprint of Llewellyn Worldwide.

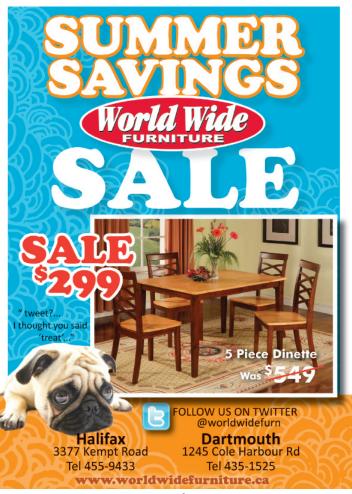
Well before gay characters began popping up in the mainstream on TV and at the movies, librarians embraced I'll Get There, said Kathleen T. Horning, director of the Co-operative Children's Book Center of the School of Education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison

Still, until now few LGBT titles became blockbusters. That changed with two boys named Will Grayson and a very large, very linebacker GLEE-ful named Tiny.

Will Will Gravson. Grayson, by Levithan and John Green, debuted on the New York Times children's bestseller list and stayed there for three weeks after its April release. It's a first for a young adult novel with major gay themes and has delighted hungry teen readers — fanboys and fan-girls who were the likely reason the book became a trending topic on Twitter. Penguin has 60,000 copies in print.

In alternating chapters, Green and Levithan write of two 16-year-old boys with little in common, living in separate Chicago suburbs. One's depressed and struggling to come out and the other is straight with a flamboyantly gay friend in Tiny Cooper, a football star on the hunt for love - and stardom in musical theatre.

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# Superman to take a tour around America

**COMICS** The Man of Steel will hoof it across America to reconnect with everyday people in a story that will feature actual cities, towns and neighbourhoods submitted by readers.

Superman, one of DC Comics' flagship fictional heroes, begins his journey next month in Philadelphia, where he'll embark on a 12-issue, cross-country walk — no flying, thank you — through Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, California, Oregon and Washington.

Not on the travel itinerary is a swing through the Deep South.

Dan DiDio, DC's co-publisher, told The Associated Press Wednesday that the Krypton-born, Kansas-bred hero had lost touch "with the people he grew up with, his adopted home on Earth" and he'll "take a walk across America to reconnect.'

In a bid to keep the story arc fresh in the age of instant communication and social media, readers of the comic who live within 80

#### Origin

 Superman, created by Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, first appeared in 1938 in Action Comics No. 1.

kilometres of the cities of Chicago, Des Moines, Denver, Salt Lake City, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Portland and Seattle can submit essays of up 1,000 words touting why their city or neighbourhood should be included in the story titled

Grounded" DC will select nine winners.

DiDio said DC is "looking

to hear what people have to say, how the character affected their lives" and, he added, "more importantly, what the character means to them."

The story will be scripted by veteran film, television and comic writer J. Michael Straczynski, whose previous work includes DC's The Red Circle books and Marvel's Thor and Fantastic Four.

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not be used.

Turning next to book-stores, they finally found what they'd been looking for — a recent explosion in the publishing world of reads that speak to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning teens.

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Wesley Snipes' attorneys are hoping his former financial adviser Kenneth Starr's arrest could pave the way for a new trial on tax evasion charges that landed the star of the Blade trilogy a three-year prison sentence. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### **Celebrity Buzz**

# Mariah sued for pooch payment | Lindsay's ex-assistant remains

I'M SORRY \$30,000?! WAS SHE
FEEDING THEM CAVIAR WHILE
GIVING THEM INSIDER TRADING TIPS? Mariah Carey is in
the doghouse with a veterinarian who says the pop
superstar hasn't paid
nearly \$30,000 in
bills for three of
her prized

pooches.
Veterinarian
Cindy Bressler sued
Carey on Wednesday in a Manhattan state
court.

Bressler provided "extraordinary services" for the
Jack Russell terriers —
Cha-Cha, Dolomite and JJ
— but the Grammy Awardwinning singer paid only
about \$8,200 of the roughly \$37,800 in charges,
the lawsuit says. The
bills cover a little more
than a month of care.
Bressler's lawyer,
Michael C. Posner, declined to elaborate on
the dogs'

treatment. Bressler, whose website notes that she makes house calls in New York City and the Hamptons and caters to "prominent New Yorkers and celebrity clients," didn't immediately respond to an email message seeking comment.

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# Lindsay's ex-assistant remains tight-lipped ... for now

THE PRICE IS WRONG Lindsay Lohan's ex-assistant has become a hot commodity for tabloids. The woman, identified only as Eleanor, has reportedly been offered deals of around \$50,000 in cash to dish on her former boss, according to Page Six. "She has so far refused the offers, saying

she doesn't want to tell on Lindsay as she's afraid she'll never work again," a source says. Eleanor quit her old job because she was "exhausted" and "had enough of Lindsay's de-

mands."

Lohan has reportedly been looking for a new assistant since Eleanor quit a few weeks ago.

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# Jackson family values

VALUE #1: CHILDHOOD? THERE IS NO CHILDHOOD IN THIS HOUSE! NOW GET BACK TO WORK Michael Jackson's three children reportedly have a new activity in their schedules: going door-to-door as Jehovah's Witnesses, according to Fox News. Now that they are under the care of the grandmother, Katherine Jackson, Prince, Paris and Blanket Jackson are being encouraged to take part in the family's faith, a big part of which is evangelizing door-to-door. "Growing up, Michael did it, too. It's an important part of their faith," a source says. "Nobody even seems to know it is

them. I am sure it is something Katherine would encourage. Becoming a Jehovah's Witness was something she wanted for all her





# Follow these celebrities on Twitter... Celeb**Tweets**

SARAH SILVERMAN makes an excellent point, RUSSELL CROWE has gone nearly a month without a smoke, DIA-BLO CODY reaps the benefits of pregnancy eating, and RUSSELL BRAND lost control of his Twitter account.

@SarahKSilverman Dear Scientology: It sounds too casual to worship a guy named Ron. It's weird in my earholes.

**@russellcrowe** It's day 24, I think. Going fine, not easy but I'm getting through. Big test today working on a confined set with smokers, all good

@diablocody I am so full of antioxidants right now. Thanks, pound of chocolate-covered blueherries!



# Britney's secret phone calls to Adnan Ghalib?

SOMEONE GET PATTI ON THE PHONE: WE NEED A MILLION-AIRE MATCHMAKER INTERVENTION A "miserable" Britney Spears is reportedly sneaking phone calls to paparazzo ex-boyfriend Adnan Ghalib, according to Us Weekly. Despite Spears' relationship with former agent Jason Trawick and Ghalib's restraining order keeping him from being in

contact with the singer, Spears has reportedly been desperate to talk to her ex. "She says she's not living the life she wants," a source tells the magazine. "She really wants to get back together with Adnan."

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# Brand turns to Noel Gallagher for marriage advice

WHICH IS LIKE TURNING TO DINA LOHAN FOR PARENTING ADVICE RUSSEll Brand is planning to live out his Robin Hood fantasies for his upcoming bachelor party. "I'll do adventurous things and activities. My friend who is my best man says we're going to go white-water rafting and shoot arrows," Brand says on Britain's Capital Breakfast Show radio program. "We'll be like merry men.

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Perhaps we'll become outsay yes to everything they laws, bandits for a while.' say," Brand says. "It works, I've been Brand also admits he's using that sysbeen turning to fatem and it's working mous pals -Oasis' Noel like Noel Gallagher - for adwell." vice on keeping future wife Katy Perry happy. "I asked Noel how METRO to get by in a WORLD relationship and said, 'Just





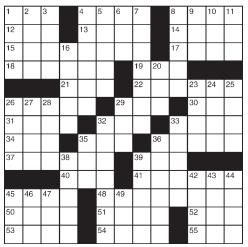




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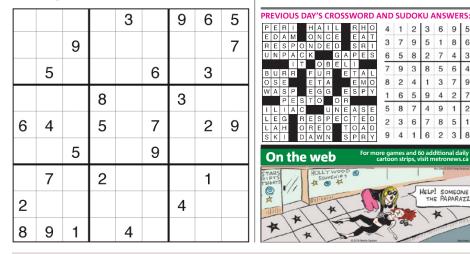
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#### Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



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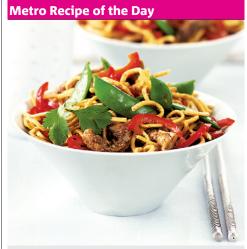
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HELP! SOMEONE CALL THE PAPARAZZI!

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## Take Five



#### **Five-spice Pork**

#### INGREDIENTS:

500 g pork tenderloin, trimmed of fat, cut into 5cm strips 250 g medium Chinese egg noodles

1 tsp canola oil 1 large onion, finely chopped

1 large garlic clove,

1 tbsp five-spice powder 1 cup sugar snap peas 2 large red peppers, seeded and thinly sliced 1/2 cup hot vegetable broth

Salt and pepper Fresh cilantro leaves to garnish

#### METHOD:

1. Cook noodles or according to package instructions. Drain noodles well and set aside.

2. While noodles are cooking, heat wok until hot. Add oil and swirl to coat

wok, then add onion and garlic; stir-fry 1 minute. Add five-spice powder and stir-fry another minute.

3. Add pork to wok and stir-fry 3 minutes. Add sugar snap peas and peppers; stir-fry 2 minutes. Pour in broth, stir well and bring to boil.

4. Add noodles to wok; stir and toss until all ingredients are well combined, 2 to 3 minutes. Season with salt and pepper to taste, sprinkle with cilantro leaves and serve immediately.

#### **SERVES 4**



#### Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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#### ARIES

#### MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Don't give in to pressure and do something you know to be wrong just because someone in authority demands it of you.

### LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23 Someone has taken a shine to you and wants to help you make the most of your talents. Just remember nothing is ever truly for free.

#### **TAURUS**

#### APRIL 21-MAY 21

You have more than your share of good ideas and the planets are begging you to make your latest good idea work, not just for yourself but for others too.

#### **SCORPIO** OCT 24-NOV 22

At the moment you have extra strength. However, it would be wrong to force your opinions on other people — wrong, and maybe dangerous too.

#### **GEMINI**

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MAY 22-JUNE 21 Someone will look favorably on

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you today but because you don't trust them you may turn down whatever it is they are offering. If you do you'll regret it.

#### **SAGITTARIUS**

NOV 23-DEC 21
No matter how many times you

have tried and failed at something in the past if you try again now you WILL succeed, so don't

#### CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

Today's Sun-Pluto aspect will endow you with so much competitive spirit that you will win whatever battle it is you are involved in with considerable ease

#### **CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20**

There are some powerful emotions at large. Don't get angry just because someone challenges your worldview. It's not about you personally you know.

#### LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

A great opportunity will come your way today, but will you make the most of it? You may be tempted to stay in the shadows and not call attention to yourself

#### **AQUARIUS**

JAN 21-FEB 18
No matter how confident you feel you are likely to come up against someone today whose very presence drains you of energy and self-belief.

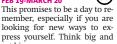
#### VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

A colleague will want to do you a favor today but because you feel the need to be independent you may reject their offer.

#### That's a shame **PISCES**





#### This day in history

1947: The Diary of Anne Frank is published.

1950: The Korean War begins with the invasion of South Korea by North Korea.

1975: Mozambique achieves independence.

1981: Microsoft is restructured to become an incorporated business in its home state of Washington.

1991: Croatia and Slovenia declare their independence from Yugoslavia.

1993: Kim Campbell is chosen as leader of the Progres sive Conservative Party of Canada and becomes the first female Prime Minister of Canada.

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